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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION: PAKISTAN, NUCLEAR EXPLOSION IN
NORTH KOREA, PALESTINE / MIDDLE EAST; NEW DELHI.

This countrywide cable reports on relevant media
reaction/opinion from India's large non-English press.
The Mission reports on English-language media via email
through the daily "Early Edition" summary.

PAKISTAN

¶1. "SIX MONTHS LATER," editorial in the May 28 Hindi
daily, DAINIK JAGRAN. "Even after six months, Pakistan
has done nothing to punish the perpetrators of the
Mumbai terror attacks. U.S. efforts to bring about an
India-Pakistan rapprochement should be a matter of
concern for India. America wants Pakistan to be left
alone to concentrate on the war against Taliban."

¶2. "FLAMES OF LAHORE," editorial in the May 28 Hindi
daily, DAINIK HINDUSTAN. "The recent terrorist attacks
in Lahore -- including the ones on Sri Lankan
cricketers, and the Pakistani police and the ISI office
-- underline the anarchy in the Pakistani system. It is
important to strengthen other Pakistani government
organizations, because its Army is not dependable."

¶3. "LAHORE BLAST," editorial in the May 29 right-of-
center Urdu daily, HAMARA SAMAJ. "With the Lahore
blasts, the Taliban wants to give a message to the
government that Pakistan's atomic weapons are not
beyond their reach. The U.S. says Pakistan's weapons of
mass destruction are in safe hands, but when Taliban

elements have infiltrated Pakistan's army and government, how can it be claimed that the nuclear weapons are safe?"

¶4. "TALIBAN'S REVENGE," editorial in the May 29 right-of-center Marathi daily, SAAMANA. "The Lahore blasts are the Taliban's show of strength. As of now, the Taliban has hit the Pakistani administration because the latter has shown signs of preparedness for military action. And this military preparedness stems from the directions coming from the U.S. For India, the most worrying factor is that the Taliban has a strong presence on the India-Pakistan border."

NUCLEAR EXPLOSION IN NORTH KOREA

¶5. "EXPLOSIVE," editorial in the May 29 independent Bengali daily, ANANDABAZAR PATRIKA. "Pyongyang's explosion may have been done to increase its bargaining power. But does it benefit Pyongyang? This has made North Korea's position in the world even more opaque."

PALESTINE / MIDDLE EAST

¶6. "BARACK OBAMA'S POLICY ON THE MIDDLE EAST," editorial in the May 28 right-of-center Urdu daily,

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SIASAT. "Most Arabs today consider the U.S. and Israel to be their deadly enemies. Obama's real test is to establish the supremacy of law and justice, to restore peace in the Palestinian territory and to stop Israel's aggressive tendencies."
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